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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Merle Dana Sears et al.

Ser. No.: 10/038,438

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Examiner: Leo, Leonard R.

For:

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Respectfully submitted,

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